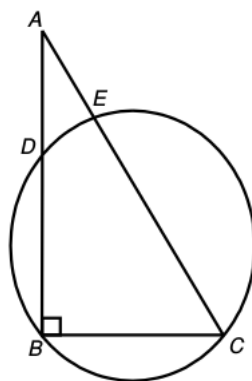


- (1) Let the sequence  $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  be defined by

$$a_n = \tan(n\theta),$$

where  $\tan(\theta) = 2$ . Show that for all  $n$ ,  $a_n$  is a rational number which can be written with an odd denominator.

- (2) Consider a circle of radius 6 as given in the diagram below. Let  $B$ ,  $C$ ,  $D$  and  $E$  be points on the circle such that  $BD$  and  $CE$ , when extended, intersect at  $A$ . If  $AD$  and  $AE$  have length 5 and 4 respectively, and  $DBC$  is a right angle, then show that the length of  $BC$  is  $\frac{12+9\sqrt{15}}{5}$ .



- (3) Suppose  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a function given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = 1, \\ e^{(x^{10}-1)} + (x-1)^2 \sin\left(\frac{1}{x-1}\right) & \text{if } x \neq 1. \end{cases}$$

- (a) Find  $f'(1)$ .

(b) Evaluate  $\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \left[ 100u - u \sum_{k=1}^{100} f\left(1 + \frac{k}{u}\right) \right]$ .

- (4) Let  $S$  be the square formed by the four vertices  $(1, 1)$ ,  $(1, -1)$ ,  $(-1, 1)$ , and  $(-1, -1)$ . Let the region  $R$  be the set of points inside  $S$  which are closer to the centre than to any of the four sides. Find the area of the region  $R$ .

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- (5) Let  $g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  with  $g(n)$  being the product of the digits of  $n$ .
- Prove that  $g(n) \leq n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
  - Find all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , for which  $n^2 - 12n + 36 = g(n)$ .
- (6) Let  $p_1, p_2, p_3$  be primes with  $p_2 \neq p_3$ , such that  $4 + p_1p_2$  and  $4 + p_1p_3$  are perfect squares. Find all possible values of  $p_1, p_2, p_3$ .
- (7) Let  $A = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . For a permutation  $P = (P(1), P(2), \dots, P(n))$  of the elements of  $A$ , let  $P(1)$  denote the first element of  $P$ . Find the number of all such permutations  $P$  so that for all  $i, j \in A$ :
- if  $i < j < P(1)$ , then  $j$  appears before  $i$  in  $P$ ; and
  - if  $P(1) < i < j$ , then  $i$  appears before  $j$  in  $P$ .
- (8) Let  $k, n$  and  $r$  be positive integers.
- Let  $Q(x) = x^k + a_1x^{k+1} + \dots + a_nx^{k+n}$  be a polynomial with real coefficients. Show that the function  $\frac{Q(x)}{x^k}$  is strictly positive for all real  $x$  satisfying
 
$$0 < |x| < \frac{1}{1 + \sum_{i=1}^n |a_i|}.$$
  - Let  $P(x) = b_0 + b_1x + \dots + b_rx^r$  be a non-zero polynomial with real coefficients. Let  $m$  be the smallest number such that  $b_m \neq 0$ . Prove that the graph of  $y = P(x)$  cuts the  $x$ -axis at the origin (i.e.  $P$  changes sign at  $x = 0$ ) if and only if  $m$  is an odd integer.